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# California State Auditor's Office Announces Voters First Act, Prop 11, Regional Public Meeting Schedule

Meeting to Discuss Formation of Citizens Redistricting Commission

**SACRAMENTO, Calif.** – January 13, 2009 – The California State Auditor's Office will be hosting its first public meetings to obtain input on regulations needed to implement the Voters First Act (Act) including regulations relating to the State Auditor's application and selection process for the Citizens Redistricting Commission (Commission). This Act was approved by voters in November 2008 as Proposition 11.

"We recognize that voters have entrusted us with forming a commission of Californians to implement the Voters First Act and are committed to carrying out this responsibility with the same due diligence, objectivity, and independence as we do in conducting all our work," said Elaine Howle, California State Auditor. "We want to ensure a wide range of voices are heard and look forward to hosting public forums throughout the state."

The meetings are open to the public on the following dates and locations. All meetings will conclude earlier than the designated ending time if all comments have been made.

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# Sacramento - Monday 1/26/09

Location: Department of Health Services

East End Complex 1500 Capitol Mall

Sacramento

Time: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### San Diego - Monday 2/9/09

Location: Caltrans Building

4050 Taylor Street

San Diego

Time: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

#### Fresno - Friday 2/20/09

Location: State Agencies Building

2550 Mariposa Mall, Room 1036

Fresno

Time: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

# Los Angeles - Monday 2/23/09

Location: Central Branch Library

Mark Taper Auditorium

630 W. 5th Street Los Angeles

**Please note:** Library doesn't validate parking. Early bird parking is only

available before 9:30 a.m.

Time: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

#### San Francisco - Friday 2/27/09

Location: Office of the Courts

Milton Marks Auditorium

455 Golden Gate San Francisco

Time: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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For more information and the official meeting notice and special needs requirements, please visit <a href="http://www.bsa.ca.gov/bsa/prop11.php">http://www.bsa.ca.gov/bsa/prop11.php</a>.

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